

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Leonard Guarante et al. Art Unit : 1645
Serial No. : 09/461,580 Examiner : R. Zeman
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Title : METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING AGENTS WHICH ALTER HISTONE
PROTEIN ACETYLATION, DECREASE AGING, INCREASE LIFESPAN

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the action dated July 17, 2006, finally rejecting claims 11, 169, 175, 177-179 and 181-208.

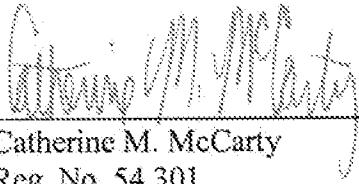
A petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to extend the time to respond to the final rejection for 2 months to and including January 17, 2007 is enclosed.

The fee in the amount of \$250 for the appeal fee is being paid concurrently herewith on the Electronic Filing System (EFS) by way of Deposit Account authorization. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing attorney docket no. 13407-016001.

Respectfully submitted,

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